

Operative G T Purdy
Re: Ex-Trooper Dickman

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Operative interviewed Sergeant of Detectives John F. Kelly of the Trenton Police Department at Police Headquarters, Trenton this evening.

Mr. Kelly stated that he worked with Trooper Dickman during the War on thefts from Camp Dix. There was a lot of Government property being stolen and Dickman was detailed by his superiors to work on it and he (Kelly) worked with him.

He states that Dickman was the first State Trooper in this State to do plain clothes work and that he never was told to watch Dickman as operative was informed by Mr. Thompson. Mr. Kelly states that he has often heard that Dickman was crooked and a "smooth gent." He was in with bootleggers also and Detective Kelly gave me the name of a bootlegger who has the reputation of being one of the biggest bootleggers in the State of New Jersey. This man and Dickman were very friendly. The bootlegger's name is Kaplan.

Later operative accompanied by County Detective Stevenson made efforts to see Kaplan, but we were not able to locate him.

Sergeant Kelly and County officer Stevenson also gave operative the name and address of a former State Trooper Capt. Jack Weiman, who is now Superintendent of the Municipal Colony in Trenton, a hospital for contagious diseases. They stated that Dickman and Weiman were not on friendly terms. I will endeavor to see him.

Also received the name of Capt. Othel Baxter who is somewhere in New York. He could give some information about Dickman. A former trooper named Shapiro, who conducts a taxi business in Newark known as the Blue Bird Taxi Co. can be found around the tube station.

A trooper formerly a partner of Dickman's whose name was Manston was killed recently.

Respectfully submitted:
G T P